

# **Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise (DVBE) Advisory Council**

**Meeting Minutes, October 18, 2006**

**The Hollywood Ballroom  
Westin Bonaventure Hotel  
404 South Figueroa Street  
Los Angeles, California, 90071**

## **Participants**

### **DVBE Advisory Council Members**

Robert Brown, Don Gonneville, Manuel Gonzales, Gary Herbold, Bob Mulz, A.J. Wilson (Alt. For Michael O'Connor), Robert Yaap

### **California Department of Veterans Affairs (CDVA)**

Jack Kirwan, California DVBE Advocate, Veterans Services Division; Stewart MacKenzie, DVBE Outreach Coordinator, Veterans Services Division

### **Department of General Services (DGS)**

Eric Mandell, Outreach and Communications Manager; Lori Okamoto, Outreach and Education Coordinator; Gloria Anderson, Chief, OSDS

### **Absent DVBE Advisory Council Members**

Allen Amaro, Larry Brooks, Michael Johnson, Floyd Knox, Kevin O'Connor, Ken Shoemake, Francis Trottier, Tim Voors

## **Guests**

Copy of guest sign-in available upon request

### *Standing Committee Meetings*

*Legislation, Procurement, and Outreach* – 11:30 am ~ 1:00 pm

- **Welcome and Introductions** 1:00 p.m.

*Jack Kirwan*

- **Approval of Minutes** 1:05 p.m. ~ **Meeting on July 20, 2006**

Motion: G. Herbold, 2<sup>nd</sup> Motion: R. Brown ~ Passed

## **Business Items**

- **Greater Los Angeles Ventura County (GLAVC) Update – 1:10 p.m.**

*Stewart MacKenzie, CDVA*

GLAVC Outreach meetings and mandatory pre-bid conference dates were announced. The availability of GLAVC plans and drawings were also discussed. Bob Mulz talked about the lessons learned from the Chula Vista Veterans Home.

- **DGS Update: Legislation, Regulations, & Policies/Procedures, SB Council, SB 115 Implementation Update – 1:30 p.m.**

*Gloria Anderson, Chief, OSDS*

Gloria spoke about:

- SB 954, IT goods and Services and the technology procurement method.
- AB 2330 and AB 3058, and how these directly relate to the Governors' Small Business Advocates' Office.
- SB 1436, and how the Department of Technology Services must provide a link for Small Business' to get information on starting up and the regulations involved.

She also stated that all reports are due on January 1, 2007 and this includes: DVBE, Small Business, Microbusiness, and Consulting Services. After a question from the council said she would look in PAM and clarify the use of a DVBE in a \$5000 and under spend.

- **Advocates' Toolkit Update – 2:15 p.m.**

*Stewart MacKenzie, CDVA*

Stewart projected a live version of the SB / DVBE Advocates' Toolkit from the CDVA Internet homepage. Not all chapters are complete, but eight of the eleven completed chapters are on the site. He mentioned that this is a fluid document and any input is welcome.

**15' BREAK – 2:45 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.**

## **Business / Discussion Items**

- **Committee Reports** – 3:00 p.m.

*Outreach Committee Member, Lori Okamoto*

Lori spoke about events for the coming year and the Contracting Connection conference in Los Angeles tomorrow. Over 400 businesses and 70 exhibitors are expected at the conference.

- **Council Forum: Member Issues** – 3:15 p.m.

Don Gonneville went to the California DVBE Alliances' website and demonstrated their search engine for finding DVBE's.

- **Closing Remarks & Next Meeting Date:** January 18, 2007 ~ 3:55 p.m.

*Jack Kirwan and Don Gonneville*

- **Adjournment** – 4:00 p.m.

*Jack Kirwan*

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